

Nicole A. Avant, of California, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Commonwealth of The Bahamas.

Howard W. Gutman, of Maryland, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Belgium.

Vilma S. Martinez, of California, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Argentina.

David H. Thorne, of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Italian Republic, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of San Marino.

#### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Polly Trottenberg, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of Transportation.

Deborah A. P. Hersman, of Virginia, to be Chairman of the National Transportation Safety Board for a term of two years.

Deborah A.P. Hersman, of Virginia, to be a Member of the National Transportation Safety Board for a term expiring December 31, 2013.

#### FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

Richard A. Lidinsky, Jr., of Maryland, to be a Federal Maritime Commissioner for the term expiring June 30, 2012.

#### FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Meredith Attwell Baker, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission for the remainder of the term expiring June 30, 2011.

Mignon L. Clyburn, of South Carolina, to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission for a term of five years from July 1, 2007.

#### DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Anthony W. Miller, of California, to be Deputy Secretary of Education.

Thelma Melendez de Santa Ana, of California, to be Assistant Secretary for Elementary and Secondary Education, Department of Education.

#### NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD

Harry R. Hoglander, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the National Mediation Board for a term expiring July 1, 2011.

#### [NEW REPORTS]

#### DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Kim N. Wallace, of Texas, to be a Deputy Under Secretary of the Treasury.

#### DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

William J. Wilkins, of the District of Columbia, to be Chief Counsel for the Internal Revenue Service and an Assistant General Counsel in the Department of the Treasury.

Rosa Gumataotao Rios, of California, to be Treasurer of the United States.

Daniel M. Tangherlini, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary to the Treasury.

Daniel M. Tangherlini, of the District of Columbia, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of the Treasury.

#### NOMINATIONS PLACED ON THE SECRETARY'S DESK

#### FOREIGN SERVICE

PN682 FOREIGN SERVICE nominations (149) beginning Christopher L. Andino, and ending Holly Hope Zardus, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of June 25, 2009.

#### DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Jonathan Steven Adelstein, of South Dakota, to be Administrator, Rural Utilities Service, Department of Agriculture.

## LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senate will resume legislative session.

## PROGRAM

Mr. REID. Mr. President, on Monday we are going to move to another appropriations bill. Senators DORGAN and BENNETT will manage that. I think it would be wise at this time for me to tell everyone that I think we will not have a vote Monday. There is a lot of work to do on that bill. We will have some votes before noon on Tuesday, but we will not have votes on Monday.

## ORDERS FOR MONDAY, JULY 27, 2009

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 2 p.m. on Monday, July 27; that following the prayer and pledge, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and there be a period of morning business until 3 p.m. with Senators permitted to speak for up to 10 minutes each; further, that following morning business, the Senate proceed to the consideration of Calendar No. 116, H.R. 3183, the Energy and Water Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2010.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

## ADJOURNMENT UNTIL MONDAY, JULY 27, 2009, AT 2 P.M.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that it adjourn under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 2:03 p.m., adjourned until Monday, July 27, 2009, at 2 p.m.

## NOMINATIONS

Executive nomination received by the Senate:

#### DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

DENNIS F. HIGHTOWER, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF COMMERCE, VICE JOHN J. SULLIVAN, RESIGNED.

## DISCHARGED NOMINATION

The Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry was discharged from further consideration of the following nomination by unanimous consent and the nomination was confirmed:

JONATHAN STEVEN ADELSTEIN, OF SOUTH DAKOTA, TO BE ADMINISTRATOR, RURAL UTILITIES SERVICE, DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

## CONFIRMATIONS

Executive nominations confirmed by the Senate, Friday, July 24, 2009:

#### DEPARTMENT OF STATE

ANNE ELIZABETH DERSE, OF MARYLAND, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF

MINISTER-COUNSELOR, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF LITHUANIA.

KENNETH H. MERTEN, OF VIRGINIA, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF COUNSELOR, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF HAITI.

DONALD STERNOFF BEYER, JR., OF VIRGINIA, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO SWITZERLAND, AND TO SERVE CONCURRENTLY AND WITHOUT ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION AS AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE PRINCIPALITY OF LIECHTENSTEIN.

JOHN R. NAY, OF MICHIGAN, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF MINISTER-COUNSELOR, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF SURINAM.

VINAI K. THUMMALAPALLY, OF COLORADO, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO BELIZE.

NICOLE A. AVANT, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE BAHAMAS.

HOWARD W. GUTMAN, OF MARYLAND, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO BELGIUM.

VILMA S. MARTINEZ, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO ARGENTINA.

DAVID H. THORNE, OF MASSACHUSETTS, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE ITALIAN REPUBLIC, AND TO SERVE CONCURRENTLY AND WITHOUT ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION AS AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF SAN MARINO.

#### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

POLLY TROTTEBERG, OF MARYLAND, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION.

DEBORAH A. P. HERSMAN, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE CHAIRMAN OF THE NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD FOR A TERM OF TWO YEARS.

DEBORAH A. P. HERSMAN, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD FOR A TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 2013.

#### FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

RICHARD A. LIDINSKY, JR., OF MARYLAND, TO BE A FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSIONER FOR THE TERM EXPIRING JUNE 30, 2012.

#### FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

MEREDITH ATTWELL BAKER, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE TERM EXPIRING JUNE 30, 2011.

MIGNON L. CLYBURN, OF SOUTH CAROLINA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION FOR A TERM OF FIVE YEARS FROM JULY 1, 2007.

#### DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

ANTHONY W. MILLER, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF EDUCATION.

THELMA MELENDEZ DE SANTA ANA, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.

#### NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD

HARRY R. HOGLANDER, OF MASSACHUSETTS, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD FOR A TERM EXPIRING JULY 1, 2011.

#### DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

KIM N. WALLACE, OF TEXAS, TO BE A DEPUTY UNDER SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

WILLIAM J. WILKINS, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE CHIEF COUNSEL FOR THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE AND AN ASSISTANT GENERAL COUNSEL IN THE DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY.

ROSA GUMATAOTAO RIOS, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES.

DANIEL M. TANGHERLINI, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

DANIEL M. TANGHERLINI, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER, DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY.

THE ABOVE NOMINATIONS WERE APPROVED SUBJECT TO THE NOMINEES' COMMITMENT TO RESPOND TO REQUESTS TO APPEAR AND TESTIFY BEFORE ANY DULY CONSTITUTED COMMITTEE OF THE SENATE.

#### DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

JONATHAN STEVEN ADELSTEIN, OF SOUTH DAKOTA, TO BE ADMINISTRATOR, RURAL UTILITIES SERVICE, DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

#### FOREIGN SERVICE

FOREIGN SERVICE NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH CHRISTOPHER L. ANDINO AND ENDING WITH HOLLY HOPE ZARDUS, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON JUNE 25, 2009.